

peasants, the craftsmen, and many landed gentry—
and that that
conception found expression in religion, in politics,
and, not least,
in social and economic conduct and policy.

** Cunningham, *The Moral Witness of the Church on the Investment of Money and the Use of Wealth*, 1909, p. 25.

⁸⁴ Knox, *The Buke of Discipline*, in *Works*, ed, D. Laing, vol. ii,

1848, pp. 183 *seqq.*; Thos. Cartwright, *A Directory of Church Government* (printed in D. Neal, *History of the Puritans*, 1822, vol. v, Appx. iv) ; W. Travers, *A Full and Plain Declaration of Ecclesiastical Discipline*, 1574; J. Udall, *A Demonstration of the Trueth of that Discipline which Christe hath prescribed in his worde for the Government of his Church*, 1589 ; Bancroft, *Dangerous Positions and Proceedings published and practised within this Hand of Brytaine under Pretence of Reformation and for the Presbyteriall Discipline*,

*593 (part reprinted in R. G. Usher, *The Presbyterian Movement in the Reign of Queen Elizabeth, as illustrated by the Minute Book of the Dedham Classis*, 1905).

⁸⁵ Cartwright *op. cit.*

⁸⁸ Usher, *op. cit.*, p. i.

⁸⁷ *Ibid.*, pp. 14-15, ^for Bancroft's account of the procedure.

³⁸ Quoted from Baillie's *Letters* by W. A. Shaw, *A History of the English Church during the Civil Wars and under the Commonwealth*, 1900, vol. i, p. 128.

*⁹ Shaw, *op. cit.*, vol. ii, chap, iii (*The Presbyterian System, 1646-60*). For the practical working of Presbyterian discipline see Chetham Society, vols. xx, xxii, xxiv, *Minutes of the Manchester Ciassis*, and vols. xxxvi, xli, *Minutes of the Bury Ciassis*.

⁴⁰ See Chap. III, p. 142.

⁴¹ *Puritan Manifestoes*, p. 120, quoted by PT. G. Wood, *The*

Influence of the Reformation on Ideas concerning Wealth and Property in *Property, its Rights and Duties*, 1913, p. 142. Mr. Wood's essay contains an excellent discussion of the whole subject, and I should like here to acknowledge my obligations to it.

For the views of Knewstub, Smith, and Baro, see the quotations from

them printed
by Haws, *Sketches of the Reformation*, 1844, pp. 237-40, 243-6. It
should be noted that Baro, while condemning those
who, " sitting
idle at home, make merchandise only of their money,
by giving it
out in this sort to needy persons . . . without having
any regard of
his commodity, to whome they give it, but only of
then- own gain/"
nevertheless admitted that interest was not
always to be con-
demned. See also Thos. Fuller, *History of the
University of Cam-
bridge*, ed. M. Prickett and T. Wright, 1840, pp.
275-6, 288-9,
and Cunningham, *Growth of English Industry and
Commerce, Modern
Times*, 1921 ed., pt. i, pp. 157-8.
⁴² New, Shakespeare Society, Series vi, no. 6,
1877-9, Phillip